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This Week at GSU

- 11 Division Chair Council Meeting, 10 a.m., Hall of Honors.
- 11 Division of Science Chemistry Colloquium, 7:30 p.m., F2331.
- 12 University Planning Committee, 9:30 a.m., Hall of Honors.
- 12 University Curriculum Committee, 1:30 p.m., D-1702.
- 12 Farewell Party for Professor Joan Radtke, 2 p.m., E-Lounge.
- 18 Southland Management Institute, 8 a.m., Hall of Honors.
- 19 University Curriculum Committee, 1:30 p.m., D-1702.
- 20 Faculty Senate Meeting, 1 p.m., E-Lounge.

All events held at University Park campus unless otherwise noted.

CHP hosts forum for community colleges

More than three dozen persons attended the 7th Annual Community College Forum Nov. 30 hosted by the College of Health Professions.

The program gave representatives of community colleges the chance to learn about GSU's programs in health administration, nursing, communication disorders, social work, and alcohol and drug abuse sciences.

This year's program featured GSU students who had transferred from community colleges. They outlined for counselors, faculty and administration what it was like to transfer to a university, the pluses and minuses of GSU's competency exams and questions they needed answered when they came to GSU. The students gave suggestions of how the process could be improved.

Their talks were followed by
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Models (from left) Gwen Glenn, Linda Smith, Star Anderson, Raji Nair, Janice Schultz, Butch Wells, Geri Dalton, Diane Cole, Charles Barnett, Linda Dean, Deirdre Burton and Marlene Anderson line up for the Civil Service Day fashion show.

Fashion parade opens Civil Service Day

A fashion parade of furs, formal and business attire, and a native costume from India highlighted the 1990 celebration of Civil Service Day.

"The Civil Service group is as important to the university as any other group on campus," Dr. Virginio Piucci, vice president of administration and planning, told the audience of more than 100 employees. Dr. Piucci represents Civil Service interests at the administrative level.

Dixie Butz of CAS kicked off the entertainment portion of the program telling jokes about her friends and fellow employees.

Then Margo Ellman of ASR acted as mistress of ceremonies for the fashion show that featured Linda Dean of University Relations, Star An-

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Nominations invited for 1990 'Employee of the Year'

The 1989 "Employee of the Year" winner, Dixie Butz, will pass her title on to another deserving employee when one of the monthly winners from the past year gains the grand prize, based on nominations given to the selection committee.

Nominations for the "Employee of the Year" should be sent to the Personnel Office, and the winner will be selected in January.

Nominees are Audrey Simpson of Admissions and Student Recruitment,

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Cafeteria Menu

(Week of December 10 to 14)

- Monday** - Beef vegetable soup. Entrees: country fried chicken platter; grilled chopped beef steak platter. Hot sandwich: bacon cheeseburger.
- Tuesday** - Split pea soup. Entrees: roast pork loin platter; turkey oriental over rice. Hot sandwich: Italian sausage sandwich.
- Wednesday** - Turkey barley soup. Entrees: Baked meatloaf Wellington platter; vegetable lasagna. Hot sandwich: chicken fillet sandwich.
- Thursday** - Chicken gumbo soup. Entrees: shrimp creole over rice; baked potato bar with choice of toppings. Hot sandwich: gyros sandwich.
- Friday** - Cream of tomato soup. Entrees: poached pollack fillet with lemon herb sauce; chicken ala king over a croissant. Hot sandwich: grilled cheese sandwich

(Menu subject to change)

Happy Holidays!

The staff of *F.Y.I.* extends best wishes to the Governors State University community during 1990 holiday season. *F.Y.I.* will resume publication with the issue of Monday, Jan. 7, 1991.

Employee of the Month

CAS worker exhibits 'exceptional ability'

By Marilyn Thomas

Lynne Deslierres is tucked in a corner with her test tubes, chemicals, audio/video equipment, pens, pencils and other supplies, shipping materials and miscellaneous items.

The important thing is, the December "Employee of the Month" knows where everything is, who uses what and when, and how to order or reorder items for them.

While that doesn't sound like much of a job description, when you're responsible for the needs of 24 faculty members and assisting staff in the College of Arts and Sciences, it is no small task.

Lynne, a native of Detroit, came to GSU in 1978 shortly after moving to the area. She shared an apartment in Crete with her sister, and took a job in the CAS second floor storeroom as a CETA worker. She assisted Vince Kelly for about 18 months until he retired. "I more or less inherited the job," she said.

Over the years, she has learned her job well, and those efforts are reflected in everything she does, said GSU student Andrea DeMario, who nominated Lynne. Andrea was a student worker in the storeroom.

"I found that Lynne is an exceptional person," Andrea told the committee. "Lynne is very dedicated to her job, yet many are unaware of her and her responsibilities. At times, she gets so swamped with shipments, I sometimes can't imagine how she keeps everything in order. I believe that no one else can demonstrate motivation and exceptional ability like Lynne does.

"In the little amount of time that I

worked with her, I was well aware of the significant amount of work and dedication she has done and still does for GSU," Andrea added.

"She is very helpful to faculty and students and is a great friend to many. She goes out of her way for others," she concluded.

Lynne describes her job as a learning process. When professors need chemicals and lab equipment, she says her knowledge as a student of chemistry and biology has come back to her.

She has shelves full of catalogs she uses to find specific types of equipment. Sometimes she needs to find substitutes and rare chemicals.

Although Lynne isn't in charge of the zoology lab, she does get shipments of live specimens. "I'll handle the mice now," she said.

She is serving on the GSU Environmental Task Force which is studying ways to improve the university and its campus. Lynne also is a member of the GSU Safety Committee. Safety is a major concern of hers, especially because of all the chemicals she handles.

Lynne admits when she started she never thought of staying for a dozen years "but the people are so nice, and my job isn't boring. The days don't follow a routine. And besides," she joked, "I'm not a good typist."

A graduate of Wayne State University, Lynne majored in anthropology. Digging and examining is a hobby now. Several specimens on her desk — Indian heads she found in Crete and fossil specimens from near Braidwood — prove her interest is still there.

Although she grew up in the city, Lynne describes herself as an "outdoors, in the open" person. She loves to garden in the spring and summer, and she has been active for many years with nature conservancy groups.

She and her husband, Michael Romaniak, live in Beecher.



Lynne Deslierres

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The Grapevine

Faculty, staff represent GSU at annual conference

Faculty and staff represented GSU at the Annual Conference of the Illinois Association of Collegiate Records and Admissions Officers held this fall.

Management information systems Professor **Donald Fricker** of CBPA and **Dr. Suzanne Prescott** of the Division of Psychology and Counseling gave a presentation on "Using Outbound PC-Based Voice Mail for Admissions and Records." Former GSU registrar **Dr. Sarah Crawford** moderated this session.

Dick Pride, director of admissions and student recruitment, and **Dora Hubbard**, assistant director, with **Medha Sukhatme**, assistant director of student systems for the BOG Cooperative Computer Center, gave a program on "Developing and Implementing an Online Transfer Credit System: A Cooperative Effort Among Three Institutions Sharing a Common Information System."

Dr. Mary Howes, chairperson of the Division of Management/ Administrative Science/Marketing, gave a session on "Understanding and Dealing with Difficult 'People' Situations." **Gusta Allen** of the Registrar's Office was recorder for the session "Programs and Strategies for Increasing Minority Student Retention."

Zalewski brings Newton's theories to CE classroom

Newton's theories were brought to a GSU classroom by **Dr. Leon Zalewski** who was a facilitator in an education class recently. The former science teacher, now dean of the College of Education, had students do a few experiments (but he didn't have them duplicate Newton's experiments with an apple).

These future teachers in **Dr. Sally Glenn's** class blew up balloons which acted as motors for sending straws along pieces of string. While the experiments were rudimentary, **Dr. Zalewski** believed they got the students to work together and to understand time management as well as science.

Conrad helps association win 'award of excellence'

Dr. Carolyn Conrad's presentation at the 1990 American Speech-Language-Hearing Association summer institute helped the association win the "1990 Award of Excellence in Education" from the American Society of Association Executives.

Dr. Conrad, associate vice president for academic affairs and a former GSU professor of communication disorders, presented the lecture "Teaching Cultural Diversity in Fluency Disorders" at the summer institute which focused on teaching cultural diversity within the professional education curriculum.

Dr. Conrad has been invited to present her positions at a winter institute Jan. 3 through 6 at Sea Island, Ga.

GSU Vets Club presents POW/MIA flag to university

A special thanks is extended to the GSU Vets Club which presented a POW/MIA flag to the university during Veterans Day ceremonies. **Dr. Virginio Piucci**, vice president of administration and planning, accepted the flag from club members. It now flies under the United States flag outside the main entrance.

Former grads among new GSU Foundation Board

Two GSU graduates are serving as directors on the GSU Foundation Board. **Sam Ogrizovich** of Peotone was elected vice president of operations, and **Pam Woodward** of Frankfort was elected secretary. **Robert Wolf** of Olympia Fields is the board's new president. Joining them are **David Barr** of Richton Park as vice president of planning and **Gilbert Rynberk** of Lansing serving as treasurer.

Fashion show featured

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derson of Special Programs and Continuing Education, **Deirdre Burton** of the College of Education, **Diane Cole** and **Raji Nair** of the Registrar's Office, **Charles Barnett** and **Butch Wells** of Physical Plant Operations, **Geri Dalton** of the Child Care Center, **Marlene Anderson** and **Gwendolyn Glenn** of the Personnel Office, **Janice Schultz**, associate director of academic personnel, and **Linda Smith** of the University Library.

Special thanks was given to **Chris Tolbert** of the Business Office who received a plaque for many years of service to the Civil Service Senate, of which she is past president.

Serving on the senate this year are **Charles Barnett**, president, with **Nasim Ali** and **Susan Bell** of UL, **Gusta Allen**, **Diane Cole** and **Louise Brown** of REG, **Katie Ball** of CHP, **Debbie Boyd** of DPS, **Deirdre Burton** of CE, **Dixie Butz** of CAS, **Brenda Chapman** of A&P, **Debra Conway** of SL, **Margo Ellman** of ASR, **Beverly Kaiser** of SPCE, **Barbara Lane** of PPO, **Virginia Thurston** of PERS and **Bural Wilkerson** of FA.

Nominations invited

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Janice Washington and **Mark Hampton** of the University Library, **Michael Knabjian** of Physical Plant Operations, **Barbara Basler** and **Robert Woodward** of University Print Shop, **Thomas Stepke** and **Ray Gayton** of Business Operations, **Debra Boyd**, **Karl Harrison** and **Frank Kanupke** of the Department of Public Safety, **Jacob Liao** of the Instructional Communications Center, **Wilhelmenia Moore** of the College of Health Professions and **Lynne Deslierres-Romaniak** of the College of Arts and Sciences.

Congratulations

To **Dr. Annie Lawrence**, chairperson of the Division of Nursing, on her marriage to **Rudolph C. Brown** Nov. 17.

GSUings...

...Professor Jay Boersma (CAS), serving on a panel of five jurors to select winners in the third annual Printers Row Photo Fair in September...Dr. Joseph M. Correa (SPCE), attending the Midwest Writing Centers Association meeting at St. Cloud, Minn., and delivering a research paper titled "Reattainment of Writing Expertise of Adult Reentering College Students." The research project was a joint effort with David Gilman of the Center for Learning Assistance and Dr. David Suddick, psychometrist in Student Development...Dr. Mary Howes (CBPA), guest speaking at a meeting of the Orland Park Rotary in November on business ethics...Dr. Akkanad M. Isaac (CBPA), chairing the session on "Information Systems and Competitive Advantage" at the Joint National Meeting of the Operations Research Society of America and the Institute of Management Science held in Philadelphia Oct. 29-31 and also presenting a paper titled "Executive Support Systems for Competitive Advantage: Design Considerations" ...Professor Donald Fricker (CBPA) and Dr. Suzanne Prescott (CE), presenting a paper titled "Voice Mail and Distance Education" at the national meeting of "Computers on Campus: Integrating Institutional Resources" on Nov. 12-14 in Myrtle Beach, S.C...Dr. Arthur Bourgeois (CAS), presenting a lecture on the history of



Rose Mascola of DPS prepares to hang her handmade ornament of the DPS emblem on the GSU Christmas tree. The decorating party, hosted by Student Life, kicked off GSU's holiday celebration.

Sauk Trail at the Thorn Creek Nature Center...President Leo Goodman-Malamuth II (PO), addressing the Pacific Rim University Presidents Conference Dec. 3 in Taiwan on "Satellite Communication and Distance Education"...Dr. Diane Kjos (CE), presenting research on "Career Assessment by Structured Interview" at the Illinois Association for Counseling and Development 6th Annual Convention in Springfield and being elected president of the Illinois Career Development Association of the Illinois Association for Counseling and Development.

CHP hosts forum

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roundtable discussions on GSU programs. "The next few years will be a time of excitement and growth in all health professions," Acting Dean Jay Lubinsky said. "Community college students have the opportunity to pursue those professions. The purposes of our forum are to help the counselors at the community colleges become aware of the possibilities in health fields and to ease the transfer of their students into GSU's health programs."

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